Preservation in the News

Q's Clips

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Clippings: March 19, 2007

DHR, in the news again . . .

Albemarle County: Crozet property is for sale, and it might be one of about 275-300 Crozet buildings to be surveyed as part of DHR's cost share program in coming year.

The Hook

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Frederick County: New listings in the Virginia Landmarks Register are noted, with Fort Colvin at entrance to Stonebrook subdivision in the county highlighted.

Winchester Star

DHR, in the news again . . .

Portsmouth: Historical highway marker will be erected to honor the "Queen Mother of the Blues" and Portsmouth native Ruth Brown.

Virginian-Pilot

DHR, in the news again . . .

Richmond Times-Dispatch

Richmond: Historic rehabilitation tax credits help preserve historic districts.

Nationwide: A new list of America's 150 favorite structures (the top 20 is heavily weighted towards DC and NY, with the Virginia building checking in at #27, after a casino in Las Vegas), released to coincide with AlA's 150th anniversary.

<u>AIA</u>

Slate

Pennsylvania: Justin Gunther, a Richmond native, moves on from Mount Vernon to take on role of curator at Fallingwater.

Pittsburgh Tribune-Review

Piedmont Region: Journey Through Hallowed Ground is one step closer to being realized after House Natural Resources Committee approved the bill authorizes the creation of this proposed national heritage area.

Culpeper Star-Exponent

Statewide: Civil War Preservation Trust puts out 2007 list of 10 most endangered battlefields, which this year include Cedar Creek, Petersburg, and the Northern Piedmont region of Virginia, Maryland and Pennsylvania.

Culpeper Star-Exponent

Winchester Star

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WJLA-TV 7

Charles City County: Bocock family donates 944-acre easement on peninsula in the Chickahominy River.

Richmond Times-Dispatch

DCR's Land Conservation website

Charlottesville: Local officials propose new type of historic preservation district that would make it easier for homeowners to renovate and add on to houses.

Charlottesville Daily Progress

Charlottesville: City officials consider adding historic districts in areas such as Fifeville, Woolen Mills, Belmont, and others.

C-Ville Weekly

Charlottesville: Local residents are chosen to serve on panel to guide restoration of historic Jefferson School. 104-5087

Charlottesville Daily Progress

Clarke County: Talks continue between Berryville officials and local residents trying to restore the barns at Rose Hill into a community center.

Winchester Star

Fairfax County: Ancestor of original owner of historic Green Spring, an 18th century plantation estate, visits the property, which is now a county park. 029-0025

Fredericksburg Free Lance-Star

Fauquier County: Editorial columnist applauds the addition of the Springs Valley Real Historic District to the Virginia Landmarks Register. 030-5427

Fauguier Times-Democrat

Fauquier County: Centerfold of newspaper this week is devoted to showing map of land in Fauquier County currently under easement, and guest columnist encourages goal of putting 25 percent of county land under easement.

Fauguier Times-Democrat

Fredericksburg: City officials finalize conservation easement agreement with Nature Conservancy, Virginia Outdoors Foundation and Dept. of Game and Inland Fisheries on 4,232-acres of riparian land. 111-5001

Fredericksburg Free Lance-Star

The Nature Conservancy

Grayson County: Forest Service to purchase easements on 960 acres along the New River.

New River Valley Bulletin

Hampton: Editorial on the "bigger, better" Federal Area Development Authority, tasked with determining the future of Fort Monroe. 114-0002

Daily Press

James City County: Thomas Nelson Community College will kick off a three-part lecture series in commemoration of the 400th anniversary of the founding of Jamestown, with topics including the Indians and English in 1607, the archaeology of 17th-century Virginia and the history of slavery in Virginia.

Daily Press

Lexington: Best-selling author Richard Louv will headline three day, statewide, Environmental Virginia Symposium at VMI in April.

Staunton News Leader

Virginian-Pilot

Richmond Times-Dispatch

Loudoun County: Historic Llangollen farm and mansion near Middleburg is sold for record \$22 million. 053-0408

Winchester Star

Montgomery County: Students are returning to save the historic Christiansburg Institute's surviving buildings. 154-5008

New River Valley Bulletin

Newport News: Christopher Newport University receives a \$4 million gift: the Yoder Barn. 121-5071

<u>Daily Press</u> (includes link to video of the Yoders)

Norfolk: Historic Christ and St. Luke's Episcopal Church loses court decision on its controversial expansion plans. 122-0075

Virginian-Pilot

Orange County: Montpelier gets a new tourist center, which will include a wing devoted to later owners of James Madison's estate, the duPonts. 068-0030

Richmond Times-Dispatch

Culpeper Star-Exponent

Orange County: Friend of Wilderness Battlefield holds raffle of art to benefit historic Ellwood. 088-0139

Culpeper Star-Exponent

Prince William County: Last chance for historic Lustron homes at Quantico, as half have already been demolished. 287-0010

Manassas Journal-Messenger

Richmond: 2007 is the 50th anniversary of the city's first Old and Historic District, St. John's Church, and Church Hill North may be the latest local district.

Richmond Times-Dispatch

Richmond: 2007 Virginia Forum, a conference on Virginia history, will be held at the Library of Virginia in mid-April.

Richmond Times-Dispatch

Richmond: Teens from Henrico County volunteer to help clear historic Barton Heights cemeteries, 6 African American cemeteries listed in the registers; and Evergreen Cemetery in Oakwood-Chimborazo historic district is also badly in need of maintenance. 127-5679, 127-0821-1073

Richmond Times-Dispatch

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Richmond: Many suitors have contacted Museum of Confederacy officials regarding potential move of the collections to a new location. 127-5526

Culpeper Star-Exponent

Richmond: Editorial views name of Museum of Confederacy as being about heritage, not hate, and that a name change is not needed. 127-5526

Culpeper Star-Exponent

Richmond: Two historic buildings (Superior Warehouse and William H. Grant Tobacco Factory building) converted to apartments appear destined to be auctioned; last minute deals prevent the auction from taking place. 127-0008, 127-0192-0277

Richmond Times-Dispatch

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Richmond: Hull Street, the historic shopping district in Manchester area of south side Richmond is experiencing a renaissance, with many of its older buildings undergoing renovation. 127-0859

Richmond Times-Dispatch

Richmond: City may be losing a good Science Museum director after 15 years in Walter Witschey, but the world will be regaining a good Mayan archaeologist.

Style Weekly

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Staunton: Forum on historically black Fairview Cemetery is first step to preserving it.

Staunton News Leader

Staunton: City officials come to agreement with Newtown homeowner, perhaps opening the way to move forward with revitalization project in the historic district. 132-0034

Staunton News Leader

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Tazewell County: Virginia General Assembly provided Historic Pocahontas Inc., with a \$60,000 grant to preserve and restore the 1883-vintage company store, but more may be needed to start the restoration work. 092-0011

Bluefield Daily Telegraph

Virginia Beach: Virginia Beach 2007 announces its lineup of events to commemorate the 400th anniversary of English settlers' landing at Cape Henry.

Virginian-Pilot

Waynesboro: New funding rejuvenates restoration project at the historic Wayne Theater. 136-0016

Staunton News Leader

Westmoreland County: Stratford Hall is best known for its connection with General Bobby Lee. 096-0024

Fredericksburg Free Lance-Star

Williamsburg: World premier of new play by archaeologist and writer Ivor Noel Hume on Captain John Smith will be staged in April at the Kimball Theater.

Daily Press

Winchester: Historic Taylor Hotel to be sold at auction.

Winchester Star

Project Review issues of potential interest . . .

Piedmont Region: Dominion Electric and upper Virginia critics clash over proposed power line routes, similar to other efforts to bring "progress" to the region about every ten years.

Washington Post

Roanoke: Steady, monitored approach to flood control on the Roanoke River is praised in this editorial; project is avoiding Native American sites on the riverbanks.

Roanoke Times

Roanoke Times

Westmoreland County: Park Service officials at George Washington Birthplace National Monument are upset over Maryland's review of a Potomac power plant proposal that will have a visual impact on the Virginia side of the river. 096-0026

Fredericksburg Free Lance-Star